

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-22 (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) A method for managing credit of an account in a multi-service telecommunications system that comprises a credit management system and service capability servers providing services in exchange for units, ~~for managing unit reservation of an account by a credit management system associated with the service telecommunications system, wherein services are provided in exchange for units~~, the method comprising:

reserving a predetermined amount of units for the account before provisioning of a service, wherein a service capability server reservation of credits for a next service request to be provided cannot be granted due to an insufficient amount of reserved units for the account;

instead of denying the reservation, the credit management system sending a message for forced booking of consumed units to all service capability servers connected with the account; and

the credit management system releasing any remaining reservations of units to ensure a total balance in the account is up to date at the moment the forced booking takes place.

~~sending a message for forced booking to all service capability servers and;
executing a step of forced booking, during service provisioning by said credit management system, of actually consumed units for at least one service.~~

24. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 23, wherein said step of forced booking is carried out if said amount of reserved units drops below a predetermined threshold.

25. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 24, wherein the step of said forced booking is service dependent.

26. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 25, wherein in connection with said forced booking a request for accreditation of said reserved units ~~can be~~ carried out for said services.

27. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 26, wherein accreditation of said reserved units is subject to a plurality of accreditation rules.

28. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 27, in which at least one of said accreditation rules is dependent on ~~the~~ actual use of said reserved units per unit of time per service.

29. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27, in which at least one of said accreditation rules is dependent on a classification of said services.

30. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29, wherein said classification is a prioritization.

31. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27, in which at least one of said accreditation rules is dependent on the amount of reserved units requested.

32. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 27, in which at least one of said accreditation rules is dependent on the life-span of said requested reserved units.

33. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 32, wherein said reserved and consumed units are monetary units.

34. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 32, wherein said reserved and consumed units are units of time.

35. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 32, wherein said reserved and consumed units are units of volume.

36. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 35, wherein said volume is a data volume.

37. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 32, wherein said reserved units relate to the amount of used bandwidth.

38. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 23 [[37]], wherein said account can be accessed by at least one user.

39. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 23 [[38]], ~~which is used in a telecommunications environment~~, wherein at least one of the provided services relates to a group comprising voice, data and internet communications.

40. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 23 [[39]], wherein said telecommunications ~~system environment~~ is accessible via a group comprising wireless and fixed connections to a telecommunications network.

41. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 40, wherein management or provisioning of said services is carried out by a plurality of service provisioning systems which are in communicative connection with said credit management system.

42. (Currently Amended) A credit management system, in a multi-service telecommunications system, the credit management system comprising:

~~a credit management system;~~

means for registering and [or] managing reservation of available units in an account comprising a predetermined amount of units; ~~the credit management system comprising;~~

means for communicating the account balance with service capability servers, connected to the multi-service telecommunications system, that are associated with the account, wherein reservation of credits by a service capability server for a next service request from the account cannot be granted due to an insufficient amount of reserved units for the account; and

means for sending a message for forced booking of consumed units to all service capability servers connected with the account, wherein the next service request is not denied, the credit management system releasing any remaining reservations of units to ensure a total balance in the account is up to date at the moment the forced booking takes place.

~~providing services in exchange for available units, said means being further arranged for reserving units before provisioning of a service, wherein~~

~~said credit management system being arranged for carrying out a forced booking of actually consumed units during service provisioning for at least one service.~~

43. (Previously Presented) The multi service telecommunications system according to claim 42, wherein said credit management system forms at least a part of a device comprised in said telecommunication system.

44. (Previously Presented) The multi service telecommunications system according to claim 42, wherein said credit management system forms at least a part of a

user device comprised in an arrangement for connecting to said telecommunications system.